

LOG CABIN 5 1/2 MILES SOUTH
OF CARBONDALE ILLINOIS

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Log Cabin, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles South of Carbondale, Illinois

by Edgar E. Lundeen, Bloomington, Ill. May 1934

The original log cabin was constructed according to the early pioneer methods in about the year 1855. No accurate record is available as to the original owner although it is known that one Billy Brewer owned the building at an early date.

Shortly after the Civil War, the cabin was remod^Eed, a wing being added to the south. This is now gone except for the fireplace which still remains.

Mr. F. C. Krysher, the present owner, has in recent years added two rather extensive wings, the first story being built of stone and the second of shingles.

There is no record of particular historic interest connected with this structure other than it is one of few good examples remaining which shows the pioneer method of building and living. The logs are hewn and the whole indicates

an attempt to do something better than that of the earlier periods. The original mantle is in place and the cooking is still accomplished over the open fire.

Reference: Information received from the inhabitants of the surrounding territory.

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